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BAGHDAD: Demonstrations were staged on 8th January in front of the Iranian Defence Ministry by the families of the Iranian officers and soldiers present on Omani territories.

The Palestine Revolution Radio said that the demonstrators were asking termination of Iranian interference in Oman and the return of the Iranian army back home.

The Iranian police attacked the demonstrators and arrested a large number of them.

Iranian Invasion Resembles Israeli Aggressive Role In Palestine

Losses of Iranian Invading Troops Parallel to Our Gains

Bahrain National Council: More Suppression Against Masses

Several weeks after the experiment of the National Council in Bahrain, several facts began to be established around the nature of the authority in Bahrain and its plans in the

national Council and pavement of the way for the arrival of democratic elements in the Council.

The first of these facts is that the authority in Bahrain wants to legalize the national and classical conflict in the Council. So, the reply of the officials to the masses of the workers who went on an uprising in March 1972, demanding their legitimate rights was that they must wait upto the forthcoming session of the National Council which will realise more than what they demand now. As all statements made by the officials of the authority topped by the rule's spokesman, Mohamed bin Mubarak, indicate the National Council represent the interests of different groups.

In this way the authority wants to imprison the national movement inside this Council which is controlled by its taking an excuse that the masses and their national forces are represented in the council. Of course the authority and those in collusion with it possess the dreadful tool of repression and possess the authority and the institutes which ensure their interests and confiscate the interests of the masses.

The second fact is that the authority views the National Council as a rubber stamp fixed on its policy and plans as it defines what must be discussed by it and what must not be discussed (The Government refuses that the Council is to discuss the American bases and the military agreements, the budget and Bills forwarded by the government). Therefore the members must show and express some remarks. However, the members must show and express some remarks, passes of its projects is ensured. So, what is left for the Deputies? The most dangerous than that is that the government attached to each paragraph the

phrase "according to law" and the immunity of the Deputy is according to law, too. As to the nature of this law, it is of course the law of the authority "the emergency law".

The Third fact is that the masses and their working class vanguard do not hope from such council solution of the obstacles faced by them and

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POLITICAL COMMENTARY

For the fifth consecutive week our people and its fighting vanguard, the People's Liberation Army and the Popular Militia, have been fighting fierce battles against the Iranian and invaders and mercenaries. Despite the humble resources of the PLA which cannot be compared with the vast resources of the invading force, which is equipped with the latest weapons of war and destruction such as modern armoured vehicles, heavy artillery, rocket carrying helicopters, large force of men trained to fight people's liberation wars. Despite all this, the PLA has proved to be a steadfast, stubborn fighting force and a strong adversary for the reactionary imperialist invaders.

The PLA has developed this iron strength and stubbornness from the persisting stands of refusal taken by our people in Oman & the Arabian Gulf in general, and the people of the liberated areas, in particular. The solid stands of support taken by the forces of the international revolutionary movement and specially the patriotic and revolutionary Iranian and Arab forces have consolidated the revolution and given strength to our fighting forces.

It was natural for the Arab masses and the Arab national liberation movements to stand by our people and its revolution, for the role

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MILITARY REPORT

Comrade Aobid, The Militant Journalist, Died In Defence of Motherland

After five weeks of the Iranian invasion of our country and in spite of the attempts made by the enemy for establishing his feet on the soil of our homeland, an aim which he endeavours to realise by different barbaric and criminal means, the masses of our people prove day after day revolutionary firmness and determination which exceeded all imaginations and astonished the invaders themselves. This is in order to defend the sacred national soil. The forces of the People's Liberation army and the People's Militia stand to crystallise that determination and that revolutionary firmness and steadfastness in the daily fighting to inflict upon the enemy heavy losses which the enemy is forced to admit.

At a time in which the ranks of the revolution are strengthened and the cohesion of the masses with them greates and the support for them widens from all ranks of patriots and progressive forces in Arab homeland and the world, we see the ranks of the enemy are shattered and the masses around them bounce on them even those who best the drums for them in the past have now buried their heads in shame.

So, we gain & the enemy loses and whenever our gains increase the losses of the enemy increase too.

Our heroic revolutionaries conducted a large scale military action against the reactionary - imperialist enemy, led by the Iranian invaders. In desperate moves to control the Red Line, the Iranian aggressors try to concentrate their forces at several points on either side of the Red Line but the forces of the People's Liberation Army, the People's Militia and the popular masses are heroically confronting and fighting the invading forces in fierce battles, thus foiling the enemy's plans.

These battles are inflicting big losses, in life and material, on the enemy. It is usual for the enemy to retaliate in criminal campaigns of revenge on people's dwellings, farms and livestock.

The military activities of our heroes are summarized below, for the period 1st to 17th of January, 1974.

1. Five gun and rocket attacks on enemy centres in the Red line, the Passage and Sarfeet.

2. Six gun, rocket and medium and light weapon attacks.

3. One sniper operation.

4. Two mine planting operations.

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SHAH OF IRAN IS HITLER OF TO-DAY

Never, has the Shah of Iran, tried to conceal his arrogance nor, stopped his continued insults of the Arab people. In an interview with the West German magazine "Der Spiegel" which comes at a time when the Shah is committing an act of aggression against the Arab nation, and occupying part of the Arab land. The Shah has, once again, insulted the Arab nation. The Shah's aggressive actions are not however, repulsive firmly by the Arab governments.

The interviewer asked him: "There is the question of Islamic solidarity, you have said that the Arabs say that they are Muslims & you are Arians, what does all this mean?"

The Shah replied:

"The Arabs are semitic, like the Jews, but we are Arians, like you Germans."

The interviewer commented:

"Is this the reason behind the fact that religious relations between Persia & the Arabs are not as good as the Arab allege?"

The Shah replied:

"The Arabs emphasize themselves as Arabs rather than being Muslims, while the Muslims in the world, outnumber the Arabs seven times.

The Shah reply that "the Arabs emphasise themselves as Arabs rather than being Muslims" is a statement which reflects his despise of the Arab nation; the Shah wants

the Arabs to deny their identity.

The Shah, on the other hand, does not consider Persia as part of the East, but part of the superior Arian race. This reminds us of the theory of the superrace-the theory of Hitler which alleges the superiority of the Arian race over other human races; & consequently gives Hitler's Germany the right to occupy the world & subjugate other nations. In fact what the Shah is saying has been said many times by Hitler.

In the interview, the Shah, was cynical enough to allege, that Iran will be the world Fifth Strongest Power, and that annual rate of increase in Iran is 20%.

The Shah could not but to confess of his people rebellion against his rule. He commented, "yesterday we had some demonstrations. Imagine the Iranians demonstrate against their leader, after all what I have done for our country!.. It seems the Shah is rather surprised to find out that the persians demonstrate against his rule for apparently he, mistakenly, thinks the persians are like him ready to be

subservant to the C.I.A., through it's former chief, the U.S. ambassador to Tehran.

The Shah will, certainly, be more surprised when the persian people will rebel against their fascist oppressor; this is the course of history.

PLOAG DELEGATION BACK FROM TANZANIA

The delegation of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf returned to Aden last Friday from Tanzania after paying an official visit which lasted more than one week during which it shared in the celebrations of the Republic of Tanzania and its people on the revolution anniversary in Zanzibar, the revolution which was ignited by the Zanzibar nationalists against the Al-Busaid ruling family.

The delegation was received with great hospitality by all officials in the State and Party in Zanzibar and Dar-Salaam and held fruitful talks with them.

NEWS BRIEF

ADEN, 1. Feb - Premier and Defence Minister Ali Nasser Mohamed affirmed that the graduation of a new batch from the People's Militia increases of new militants to the military, political and economic front for the victory of the glorious revolution of 14th October in which we learnt many lessons and from whose procession we summarized expressions which stood as food for us for realising our noble objectives.

This came in the speech delivered by the Premier on 1 Feb. at the ceremony held for the graduation of the first batch from the brigade and district command of People's Militia at Martyr Omer Ali school.

The ceremony was attended by Comrade Mohamed Saleh Mutie, member of the Political Bureau and Foreign Minister and Comrade Abdul Aziz Abdul Wali, Member Designate of the Political Bureau and Minister of Economy and Industry.

Premier Ali Nasser said: When we have opened on 21st February, 1973, Martyr Omer Ali school for People's Militia we were not aiming behind this at training a group of people and making them free for military activity but the main objective was and still is to make this school a school for preparing and qualifying the militant cadres for the people, cadres which possess political enlightenment beside military tactics and sciences to enable them to differentiate between the enemy against whom their rifles will be directed under the leadership of the National Front Political Organisation and the friends.

ADEN, Jan. 26 - A Cuban medical team arrived in Aden last Thursday to work in Democratic Yemen. The Cuban medical team, which is composed of fifteen members, will replace the Cuban medical team now working in Democratic Yemen within the framework of medical cooperation between Democratic Yemen and the Socialist Republic of Cuba.

A joint statement issued after the meeting which took place between a delegation from People's Democratic Republic of Yemen headed by Comrade Mustafa Abdul Khaleq, member designate of the National Front Central Committee and Ambassador of Democratic Yemen to the Soviet Union and a delegation from the Secretariat of the World Peace Council in Helsinki during the period 29th January to 1st February. The World Peace Council undertook to increase steps and solidarity campaigns in all countries of the world with the people and government of Democratic Yemen.

The World Peace Council condemned the attacks by the reactionary regimes in the area which are backed by the forces of American and British imperialism against the liberation struggle of the people of Oman and the Arabian Gulf for their real national independence. The World Peace Council also strongly condemned the recent Iranian military interference in Oman, against the revolution in the Region of Dhofar under the leadership of the People's Front for Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf.

Political Prisoners Freed Under Masses Pressure

External and internal people's pressure compelled the stooge government of Bahrain to release political prisoners. This step was taken after pressure reached a point where it became a threat to foreign monopoly capital investments.

Through out the years, prisons accommodated the best sons of the people, imprisoned without trial and savagely tortured by British Intelligence to obtain confessions. The last two years, in particular, witnessed a wide campaign of detaining patriotic elements. Excuses for the detentions varied from plotting to overthrow the regime and organising the Bahraini working class and the masses into unions and organisations against their will etc.

This campaign included amongst its victims; writers, poets, workers, students and teachers. Its scope raised a wave of discontent among the people, hence the mounting pressure and the consequent releases.

The popular discontent crossed the boundaries of Bahrain. Many people's organisations and lawyers unions condemned the campaign of arrest. A delegate from the Kuwaiti Lawyers Union arrived at Bahrain last year to defend the prisoners and the Committee of the defence of human rights, demanded the release of the political prisoners.

Popular pressure created sharp contradictions among the ranks of the authorities concerning its policy in this sphere, culminating in statements of forthcoming public trial and ending in the sudden release of the prisoners.

Undoubtedly the release of the political prisoners was a big achievement gained by the patriotic movement. It was a result of the masses pressure on the one side and the wish of the stooge authorities to cool down the situation in Bahrain.

The imperialist forces in the Gulf have learnt that the policy of terror and oppression alone, is incapable of defeating the patriotic movement. The other solution is to freeze the class and national struggle and frame it in legal institutions, sham democracy.

Democratic liberties have always been the demand of the worker's movement and the people. Sacrifices of martyrs, exiles and prisoners were given to realise this aim. The realisation of some of these demands has finally been won from the stooge government.

The patriotic forces are aware that move by the authorities is similar to that of Qaboos in 1970, and aimed at uncovering all the cards that the nationalist Movement. Thus enabling the C. I. A. to uncover all potentialities and weak points to hit them at the right moment. All the patriots should, therefore,

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Solidarity Committees Around The World Go In Action

In response to the call of the PFLOAG forwarded to the solidarity committees, progressive organisations and democrats, several of those supporters went in action embodying broadly sincere solidarity with our people's struggle. ...

COPENHAGEN :

The International Conference in Copenhagen held between 28th to 30th of Dec., 1973 undertook a vigorous enthusiastic resolution, of which we are quoting below the following adaptations:

"We participants of the international conference of anti-imperialist organisations of Western Europe held cooperation among the anti-imperialist necessity of strengthening the cooperation among the anti-imperialist movements in Western Europe on the basis of proletarian internationalist movements in Western Europe on the basis of proletarian internationalism."

"We will unite our forces to support the just struggle of the Arabian

people for liberation and social just ice against Arab reaction; especially we support the Palestinian people in their struggle against imperialism, zionism and Arab reaction for establishing a democratic Palestinian state.

We also support their struggle against imperialist "peace"-solution and the proposal of a Palestinian

puppet state under the condominium of Jordan and Israel."

We condemn the imperialist Iranian and Saudi aggression against the revolutionary forces on the Arab peninsula and against the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

We unconditionally support the struggle of the People's Front for Liberation of Oman and the Arabian

Gulf to liberate the oppressed people of the Arab peninsula and the Arabian Gulf."

The resolution has been approved by the following Organisations, which participated in the Conference and expressed their full support, also, with the PRG, the DRV, the FUNK, the GRUNC, the NEO LAO HAKSAT, PLO, and PDRY in addition to People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and Arabian Gulf (PFLOAG) and to all revolutionary friends and allies.

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Copenhagen
Palestina komiteen
Copenhagen
Liga gegen den Imperialismus
Köln
Nationales Vietnam Komitee
Bonn
Nnti-imperialistische Bond
Leuven
Folkfrontens Arbetsgrupper
Stockholm
Vietnam Hilfe - Alles für den
Sieg Dortmund
GOLF KOMITEEN
Copenhagen

In the meantime, these fraternal Organisations are joining their efforts to organise a wide campaign for collecting medicines, clothes, blankets, etc. in order to intensify their backing for our militant people offering great sacrifices in resisting the stooge and reactionary regime and opposing the Iranian invasion.

Lebanon :

The permanent Libanese Committee for the Support of Yemenite and Omani revolutions in cooperation with the national democratic and democratic students Organisations carried out a campaign for collecting medicines, blankets and other contributions to the needy citizens in Dhoofar (Oman).

Several statements were issued individually and collectively concerning the invasion. Accordingly, mass meetings were held to deplore the Iranian invasion and express support to our people.

The progressive press covered the developments of the Iranian invasion where accounts of our people's struggle and accomplishments were widely published. For the first time, the Libanese masses participated in a wide movement of support towards our people.

Iraq:

...In Iraq, the Palestinian Resistance Organisations, the Arab, Kurdish, Baluchi and Iranian national liberation Organisations formed a Solidarity Committee which went in action in all fields of aid, information and other contributions.

Europe :

The solidarity committees in Europe have been active in fields of information and collection of medicines and other contributions since beginning of Iranian invasion.

Political Commentary (Cont'd)

played by the Iranian reactionaries in this area has become completely clear. In its nature it meets with the role played by the Zionist entity in Palestine for a look back to the announcements made by the Shah and his prime minister during the last two years and the practices of the Shah regime in our area and Iran itself is enough to expose this. The practices of this regime originate from expansionist desires and hatred towards the Arab people and Iranian

people. Just as the Zionist entity found reactionary allies in the Arab land who help it implement its expansionist policies at the expense of Arab Palestine in the heart of the Arab nation, the Iranian regime found reactionary Arab allies to help it in its expansionist policy in the Arabian Gulf and Arabian lands.

After the October war the close relations linking the entities in Palestine and Iran were more exposed. The nature of the role given to each within the general imperialist plan to liquidate the revolutionary Arab forces and rearrange the situation to create a climate of assurance and security for the imperialist interests in our nation was completely understood.

Due to the unity of aims and acts of these two expansionist entities in our nation it is the duty of the Arab revolutionary forces and especially the Palestinian revolution, the revolution in the Arabian Peninsula and Arabian Gulf to intensify its cooperation and unity in order to form a fighting force capable of defeating these two enemies who are the front bases of the main enemy international imperialism. This requires the consolidation of all resources and capabilities and to depend more seriously on the Arab masses. This is based on the conviction of the non-ending capabilities of the masses in sacrifice and support. For the Arab regimes cannot fight these enemies. The reactionary regimes are traitors by nature and allies of imperialism and the national regimes are under pressure from the reactionary regimes & imperialism making them unable to take a fighting stand against these enemies.

Confronting the unity of the enemies the Arab revolutionary forces must increase its consolidation and strengthen its unity. These forces must meet with the revolutionary Iranian forces in particular and the international revolutionary forces in general to create a strong struggling unity to defeat the common enemy, imperialism and reaction.

The forces of freedom, progress and peace are demanded to support the struggle of our people and the Arab nation against the enemies of free-dom, progress, and peace represented in imperialism and reaction.

Bahrain National Council (Cont'd)

the injustice suffered by them nor to realise the demands for which they fought long and sacrificed dearly, as the council will not solve the high prices which crush the masses nor the unemployment suffered by the members of the people at a time in which the government brings foreign workers. The council will not abolish the American bases nor the military agreements and cannot stop the increasing American influence in all political, cultural and economic fields and the council cannot ensure democratic rights for the masses of the people.

All this will not take place in spite of the desire of the democratic elements to work for realising these demands and in spite of their entry into the council on these basis. This is for one simple reason that this council is made by the authority and fixed with the wish of the authority.

The working class, the pioneer of the struggle of our people in Bahrain, realises all these facts thoroughly well and as such they have received their matters of affairs and have not resorted to comfort. So the working class which staged an uprising for their rights in March returned today to fight strongly for realizing those demands which are denied by the authority practically under the

umbrella of the council.

Once more than authority reveals its repressive nature and so arrests the labour leaders who demand their rights contained in the laws promulgated by the government but denied by it practically.

Did the repressive policy stop with the arrival of the council? No, the repression will not stop and the struggle of the masses of our people and their working class will not stop as well but will continue to escalate.

Military Report(Contd)

ENEMY CASUALTIES:

1. The destruction of one helicopter.
2. The destruction of four armoured vehicles and one Bedford truck with their crews.
3. The destruction of 17 defensive positions.
4. 58 enemy soldiers killed or wounded.

OUR LOSSES:

1. The death of hero, journalist Comrade Mohamed Aobid.
2. Revenge attacks by the imperialist enemy, using heavy artillery and fighter planes, which resulted in the killing of 10 camels and 15 cows belonging to the people.

Political Prisoners Freed (Cont'd)

not place their confidence in the present policy of authorities and should prepare for the reversal in the imperialist policy.

In addition, moral dissolution amongst the youth, is spreaded in Bahrain planned and nurtured by C.I.A. For example, Hashish taking has become an everyday scene in the streets of Bahrain.

WHAT IS BEHIND ARMAMENT DEALS?

If the Saudi autocratic and tribal rule was analyzed and its relations vis a vis the masses of the Arab peninsula and the Arab masses, in general, was studied, then its latest deceitful stand and propaganda - after the October war is revealed. The noisy declarations made by Faisal, such as "Cutting the oil to America and reducing it to other consuming countries until the return of Jerusalem, Sinai and the Golan Heights", seem at first sight puzzling, only to those who are unaware of the history of the ruling Saudi family. A history of contradictions with the aspirations of the people. A family with this history cannot suddenly become (after the October War) the guardian of the people's interest and their first defender and use the oil weapon in the face of the peoples' enemies.

The Arab masses under the Saudi rule are still living in real nomadic backwardness and extreme poverty. They are subject to repressive laws and measures in the name of religion ... these laws range from amputating the hands of the honourable struggles to mass executions in the public squares, and barbaric torture in the prison cells. This while the huge income of the peninsula from oil, which reached 7 billion dollars in 1973, and will reach 20 billions after the latest rise in prices, finds its way to the pockets of the princes to be spent on buying harems, palaces, feasts, slave trading or to be stocked in European and American banks, where by their value is everyday decreased due to the ever occurring crises characteristic of the imperialist countries. This is a treacherous and irresponsible plunder of the people's wealth. A wealth which is slowly but surely drained by the rulers of today. What guarantees have they presented to the people for today and tomorrow hence?

"He, who ploughs the lands, owns it", and "the Americans brought life to this land, therefore they should own it". This is but one of the many homilies of the so called people of religion. This, in fact, reflects the extent of the American influence and presence in Saudi Arabia. The former existence springs from its control over the huge oil wells and its military bases in Khams-Meshit, and Al-dhahran. It also shows the strong ties which connect this corrupt and reeking regime with the imperialist monopolies.

It safeguards the latter's interests and profits in the area, which amount to 2 billion dollars annually. It also guarantees to them the energy which is necessary for the continuation of their industry and huge war machine. For example, in the Vietnamese War, the 7th Fleet was provided with oil from Raas Al-tamuna refinery in Saudi Arabia.

If the war of October has destroyed the myth of the undefeated enemy and the mighty American weapon, together with the incapability of defensive Eastern weapons. And if the determination of the people on conducting protracted people's war to wear the enemy down and to win victory over it has horrified Faisal and his like - i.e. the reactionary rulers in the area whom he made panic to beat on the war drums each of them in his own special way and thus trying to tide the revolutionary tide so that their end may be delayed but only for a while.

Faisal has allegedly raised the banner of using the oil weapon against America, but the statements of the Shah and the U.S. minister of energy emphasize that the required quantities of oil are flowing regularly from one of the Arab states after the October war and the consequent decision of cutting oil to America.

Three declarations reveal the lies and deceptions of the Saudi reactionaries and reveal their full dependence on American imperialism.

The latest arm's deals: with Britain amounts to over 480 million dollars, where tanks and heavy armament are exchanged for oil over a long period; with France were Mirage planes and other arms are exchanged for 800 millions tons of crude oil over 20 years, i.e. 40 million tons per year.

Those deals emphasize the following:

1. Since it is known that Britain and France sell arms on condition that these arms should not be used against Israel, one may ask against whom are these arms to be used?

The reactionary Saudi rulers sell the people's oil very cheaply to the monopolies and for periods of over 20 years as is revealed in the latest declared deals. This is while, and at the same time as, the prices of the industrialised products and food are rocketing high and the world is approaching on an inevitable energy crisis.

3. The black history of the Saudi rule, the backwardness in which the people under this rule are drowning, the oppression, the millions of dollars paid to destroy the unity between Syria and Egypt, the Yemeni war which this regime had ignited and indulged in since 1973 to this present day and its support to the stooge rule of the mercenaries and the Sultans who deserted from South Yemen and, lastly, its support to Qaboos to end the revolution in Oman. All these are documents and facts which sustain this regime and show that its interests and those of the masses are on different ends of the rope. These facts the history has written and preserved.

SHAH OF IRAN'S REGIME, A TYRANT REGIME

Religious leaders affiliated to the same Shia sect to which the puppet Shah of Iran is affiliated, have attacked his puppet regime which is linked with the role of world imperialism topped by American imperialism. Imam Moosa Assadr, leader of the Shia Muslim sect in Lebanon

attacked the policies of the Iranian reaction. He described the Shah's regime as a regime of tyranny. The Imam asked in a talk made with the Beirut newspaper Al-Muharret that Iran is to stop its oil shipments to the Zionist bandit State of Israel. He also asked the puppet Shah-in-Shah regime to sever its economic relations with Israel and to take part in the Arab struggle against Israel by supplying the Arab countries with weapons at least. Imam Moosa affirmed that the Iranian intelligence stand against the support of Iran for the Arab cause in the Middle East conflict.

A Message From World Peace Council Condemns Iranian Invasion of Our Country

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf received a message from Mr. Romesh Chandra, Secretary General of the World Peace Council, reading as follows:-

"The World Peace Council is pleased to express warm felicitations and comradely greetings on the second anniversary of the establishment of the People's Front. By this anniversary we greet the struggle of the people of Oman and his revolution against imperialism and the Qaboos reactionary regime in order to achieve real national independence. We also resent strongly the direct Iranian invasion in support of the Government of Muscat against the Omani people and their revolution under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf. The World Peace Council affirms its backing and consolidation for your just struggle for freedom and resistance of imperialism."

FIVE PATRIOTS DESERT QABOOS' ARMY

News coming from Salalah tells of an increasing number of desertions in the local divisions of the Mercenary Army. This is causing great concern among the enemy forces. Among those who deserted the military service recently are:-

1. Mohamed A'amir Muslim.
2. Yasir Said Hassan.
3. Mohamed Ahmed Mubarek.
4. Mohamed Alawi Hafaith.

The news asserts that the Iranian invasion of Oman is the main reason behind this wave of desertions. Resignation took the present sharp increase right after the direct intervention of the Iranian forces in the war. The deserter soldiers believe that the Omani people should be left to solve their own problems themselves, and they are opposed to all kinds of external intervention. They consequently consider the Iranian intervention as an open aggression against the sovereignty of Oman.